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DRAMATS TO BREAK PERIOD OF INACTIVITY

After a considerable period of inertia, the Dramatic Club is again at work. This time the boys and Mr. Lehmann are busy preparing a set of four plays for presentation on the evening of Saturday, March 19th. The plays have been selected and cast in view of the respective merits and experience of certain members of the student body. The plays are:

The Beggar and the King. Cast:
The King of a Great Country E. Temple
His Servant Calderwood
A Beggar Hyams
The Flash. Cast:
Doctor Gardner Hart
Joe, the Thief M. Walker
Kenneth MacGregor, the Business Man Pickering
Manikin and Minikin. Cast:
He McKenzie
She Grant
Four Who Were Blind. Cast:
Toffy Griggs
Kevork Fernandez
Red Hamilton
The M. P. Lane
The Stranger Lovett

This is the first effort of the Dramatic Club that has seen more than one play to a set without any one boy taking two parts. Many different types are represented in these plays, and the boys have an opportunity to show their friends what kind of a job can be done in portraying them.

The orchestra will play between the plays, and there is to be dancing after the Thespians have finished. A word to the wise is sufficient. Bring your girl and enjoy yourself.

PREPARING FOR AMBROSE PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

Preparations have been started for the Ambrose prize speaking contest next Commencement. The speaking will be purely voluntary this year and several have already handed in their names.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SONS OF DUMMER

Mr. Willis Chapman, treasurer of the Sons of Dummer visited school last week. He proposed that the annual meeting of the Sons be held at the school on the Friday evening, June 10, before Commencement. This plan will probably be carried out in connection with a dinner at the Ould Newbury Golf Club if the general plan is approved of by Mr. Joseph N. Dummer, president of the Sons.

QUINTET TRIUMPHS IN NEWBURYPORT GAME

Wednesday, the 23rd of February saw the defeat of Newburyport High School in a return game with Dummer at the Academy. The game was an interesting one to watch in view of the fact that the Dummer hoopsters had been beaten by the same team in Newburyport on the preceding Saturday evening. However with a different referee matters were much more even; and the game was a fast and peppy one, especially in the last half.

Newburyport took an early lead and ran up three points before Hart canned one to start Dummer off. At the end of the period the home quintet was trailing 4 to 2. Hart and Pillsbury divided four points between them in the second quarter, but Dummer was still trailing at the end of the half by one basket.

The coaches must have said things to both teams during the half time, for both outfits went at the game with renewed vigor in the third period. The shooting was more accurate; and the passing was more skillful, with the result that the whole aspect of the game was more exciting. Three baskets by Hart in this period gave Dummer a slim lead over the visitors, 13 to 12. From that point due largely to Pillsbury's efforts Dummer forged slowly ahead to take the game 18 to 13.

Ananian and Fogg were the satellites for the losers, while Pillsbury and Hart starred for Dummer. Fitz played his usual flashy game on the floor but his shots had no affection for the twine and refused to go in.

The summary:
DUMMER NEWBURYPORT
Fitzsimmons, lf. rg., Smith
Wilson (Bottger) (Fuller), rf.
lg., Ananian
Hart, c. c., Fogg
Temple, lg. rf., Brown (Avery)
Pillsbury, rg. lf., Kimball
Score: Dummer 18, Newburyport 13.
Field goals: Hart 5, Pillsbury 2, Fogg 2, Ananian, Kimball. Fouls: Hart 2, Pillsbury 2, Kimball 2, Smith, Avery.
Referee: Yeaton. Timer: Page.
Time: Four eight-minute periods.

During the last three weeks of the term the hockey men and athletic non-participants are taking up the game of volley ball, which was recently introduced to the gym class. This tends to make the class more exciting and produces more feeling.

The Seniors are strongly in favor of having the faculty add the half-hour of extra sleep on in the morning instead of at night. Why not?

PRODUCTION OF FINE MILESTONE ASSURED

The time approaches when the annual Milestone, yearly publication of the Senior Class, is due to make its appearance. With the coming of the spring, questions are always asked concerning it. The book will probably come out toward the middle of the month of May. This year's book will be the fourth Milestone that has ever been published. Three years ago when the Class of 1924 was planning its book, the student body was called upon to suggest names suitable for such a publication. Several titles were handed to the board, and the one chosen was suggested by Leonard M. Fowle of Gloucester. The name has been handed down since 1924, and the Senior Class publication has been known since then as the Milestone.

Mr. Budgell has kindly presented leather instead of the previous composition which has been used in former years for the covers. The leather is blue in color with a gold shading in the grain. The idea of the shades is taken from the class colors which are blue and gold. Mr. Calderwood is making it possible for us to get cuts at a reduced price; he has also arranged for the bidding and the printing of the book. The Class is very grateful to these two gentlemen as these helps will reduce the price of publication so that the book may contain many features not seen in other years.

The annual prize of five dollars will be awarded to the best story written for the Milestone. A few of the stories have already been handed to Mr. Jarvis. The business manager has predicted a sound financial year which will be second to none by the middle of March. The write-ups have been rather slow at coming in, but it is expected that they will be all in before the Easter recess. With a capable board already chosen, and with different jobs assigned for each member to do, there is every prospect of a record breaking Milestone this spring.

APPRECIATION

We take this opportunity to express the appreciation of the school to Mr. Yeaton, Athletic Director of Milton High School, for the able manner in which he has handled the officiating in our home games in football and basketball. Never was there a fairer or more impartial referee, and the school appreciates this fact. What schoolboy games need more referees like Mr. Yeaton.

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DUMMER DEFEATS MANCHESTER HIGH

On February 16 the Dummer basketball team asserted itself to show another win over the Manchester High team. The red and white pulled into the lead for the first time during the game in the last two minutes to win by a 23 to 21 count. Hart was the star of the game and his sensational shooting enabled Dummer to come from behind so fast to win. Manchester scored first and started to stretch out in a lead that the Dummer men could not overtake. Dummer trailed at the first quarter 10 to 4, and at the half 15 to 8. The visitors defense was their strongest point and it took the red men three-quarters of the game to learn how to pierce it. In the last quarter, however, Hart and Wilson got onto the knack, and both canned shots from amazing angles and distances. The way in which the team came from behind when it seemed almost surely beaten is one of the greatest examples of fight a Dummer team has shown for some time. The team was forced to do without Fitzsimmons, who was ill. The summary:

DUMMER MANCHESTER
Pillsbury (Gove), lf. rb., Scott
Wilson (Fuller) (Webb), rf. lb., Gillis
Hart, c. c., Babcock
Temple, lb., rf., Dennis
W. Temple (Padula) (Bottger), rb.
lf., Mulvey

Score: Dummer 23, Manchester 21.
Field Goals: Hart 4, Wilson 3, Pillsbury, Fuller; Mulvey 3, Dennis 2, Scott 2. Fouls: Hart 2, Padula 2, Wilson, W. Temple, Fuller; Babcock 2, Scott 2, Dillis 2, Dennis. Referee: Yeaton. Time: Four eight-minute periods.

MID-YEAR PROM IS A GREAT SUCCESS

The second dance of the year, the Mid-Year Prom, was held in the Lang Gymnasium on the evening of February 26. Frank McKinney '27 and Elvin Cox '28 were in charge of affairs and carried off their duties to the great satisfaction of all. Music was furnished by the "Blue-Moon Seranaders" of Worcester Academy. The lighting effects consisted of alternate red and white lights around the walls interspersed with green boughs, which gave a most pleasing effect. College and school banners decorated the walls. The affair was made all the more enjoyable on account of the striking victory handed the well-known Lawrence Academy quintet in the afternoon. The patronesses were: Mrs. Walter J. Farrell, Mrs. Alfred Kimball, Miss Marie Lord and Miss Maude Brown. The dance was a great success, and all credit is due to the committee.

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EDITORIAL

As the weeks pass, the time for graduation and College Board examinations draws nearer. Several members of the Senior and Junior Classes are looking forward to these exams with more or less misgivings as to their relative success in taking them. Any member of these classes who has not his college picked had better do it immediately and be ready for the demands for entrance. To be two years from college without a definite goal in sight is futile from the prep-school standpoint. This is so because the requirements for entrance are growing stiffer every year, and if one gets his hardest credits settled early, he is well on the way to college. However, those who have their goal definitely picked observe the spectre of College Boards with unconcern, especially those who are to take them for the first time. But the time has arrived when they can no longer be regarded in this light. The amount of cramming necessary after Commencement is entirely up to the individual. If one studies diligently at the present time and has the subjects he is to be examined in well in mind, there is little to worry about, since the College Board Exams are not hard to anyone who knows how to use his head, if he has a good knowledge of the subject on hand. Therefore, study while the weather is cool and make it all the easier for yourself when June arrives with its warm days and beautiful nights. For June with all its beauties is the month of the hardest exams of the year, and it is well to keep them continually in mind.

MY BED

When softly o'er the mountain's head,
The sun doth come
We all must scramble out of bed—
And how we run.

When winds blow chill and raw and drear,
And the floor is cold.
There's nothing in the world so dear
As the bed we hold.

When snow falls long and thick and fast
Right on my socks
I take one look and groan, Alas
Another of life's knocks.

When fog is rolling 'round my head
And all about,
If only I could sleep instead
Of climbing out.

When that alarm clock clangs and bangs,
I just yell "Ouch"
And yearn with sad and bitter pangs
For my old couch.

When I awake and hear the rain,
And all is gray.
I yearn with all my might and main
To hit the hay

When frost is biting nose and ears,
And the windows far away.
My eyes just fill with bitter tears
For this poor clay.

When I have gone to bed at four
All worn out
And wake at seven to sleep no more—
Whats it all about?

If I meet men who sing of dawn,
I'll make this bet.
No matter what their brains or brawn
Their sun will set.

There'll be a dawn in the dim beyond
When there'll be no morning bell;
And we'll just sleep on and on,
And all will be well

And there will be long rows of beds
Wherever we may go,
Where we can always lay our heads
And forget this strife below

And then we'll sleep and eat and sleep,
And then we'll sleep some more;
And some day we'll get back the sleep
We've always lost before.

—Anonymous.

SENIOR CLASS ATTEND PERFORMANCE OF "SUNNY"

Most of the members of the Senior Class made a trip to Boston on March 5 to attend the evening performance of "Sunny". "A good time was enjoyed by all."

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Dum - Dum Corner

The "Three Musketeers" have recently broken into "Society".

J. P. and E. T. are declining all invitations to ride Sunday afternoons. They want to stay on the Campus at least one Sunday in the term.

The following record will show what our Faculty think of Chapel. The record was taken for fourteen consecutive days.

	Late	Absent
Mr. F.	2	1
Mr. G.	3	10
Mr. J.	10	4
Mr. L.	?	?
Mr. R.	4	8
Mr. Sk.	2	12
Mr. Sm.	1	13
Mr. W.	9	5

*Mr. L. attends chapel in the lower school.

We so far have given the Faculty record for physical (breakfast) and spiritual (chapel) attendance. Shall we attempt the intellectual (class) attendance or will the shock be too great? We of the Dum-Dum column would like to suggest a little more co-operation from the Faculty in school activities.

Gyp, the "Terror of the Campus" was lately seen strolling about on the roof of the Commons. We suggest that he be loaned to the "Porch Climbers".

The Commons after their "Sunny" trip are now in the dark.

When a Dummer boy is "Stranded" he always tries for the gallery.

Some of our members, not long ago, made a "Garrison" finish of a perfect (?) day.

The latest report concerning Battling Pete is that he is still a "pure" holding out for more money. According to standards he has the literary background for a pro pugilist, but he will remain amateur till he finishes his studies.

Found on the outside of a stationary box:

Marjorie	x	x	x
Gert	x		
Betty	x		
Janet	x	x	
Bernice			
Phyllis	x		
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HOOPSTERS LOSE TO HUNTINGTON IN SLUMP

On March 2 the Dummer team lost another away from home game to Huntington School of Boston by a score of 18 to 13. This game we hoped marked the low ebb of Dummer's basketball season. Coach Reagan was ill and while Mr. Lehman who accompanied the team did his best the boys felt the loss of their regular coach. No one on the team played up to his average standard. Dummer was picked to win having triumphed over two teams who had previously defeated Huntington. The game was listless throughout. Following the game Mr. Bottger dined the team at his home in Winchester, another expression of his interest in the school.

At the end of the first period the score stood 2 to 2, at the end of the second 7 to 7, and at the end of the third 12 to 12. In the last, however, Huntington was filling Dummer's basket while Dummer could not touch theirs, and they drew away to win. Hart starred for Dummer, while Souther and Ried were outstanding for the winners.

DUMMER HUNTINGTON
Pillsbury (Bell) (Fuller), lf. rb., Reid
Fitzsimmons rf., lb., Queen
Hart c., c., Christie (Lothrop)
Temple lb., rf., Souther
Bottger (W. Temple) (Padula), rb.
Sakin (Esty), lf.

Score: Huntington 18, Dummer 13.
Field goals: Hart 4, Fitzsimmons; Reid 3, Souther 2, Sakin, Queen, Lothrop.
Fouls: Hart 2, Bell, Souther, Christie.
Referee: Green. Time: Four ten-minute periods.

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News of Interest

The final dancing class has been held, and the party to wind up the class will be held soon.

Tommy Brush, who was recently operated on for mastoid, is rapidly improving. Mrs. Ingham is staying in Ohio with him until he recovers from the effects.

The annual hockey and basketball team pictures were taken on March 10.

Until the members of Commons show a record of fewer breakfast tardinesses, their lights go out regularly at 9:30.

The maximum number of town permissions from now on is one per week. The minimum will doubtless prove to be the same.

Alumni Notes

Mr. Charles Somerby, the energetic secretary of the Sons of Dummer is in Florida, connected with the West Palm Beach News.

—1925—

"Lawny" Whalen proved himself to be the backbone of the Worcester Academy orchestra when they played here at the Mid-Year Prom.

—1924—

Johnnie Morris is the other Dummerite on the Bowdoin relay team.

—1916—

Bob Hawkes visited school a few days ago.

The residents of Commons are on the lookout for the "wise guy" who blows out their fuses every night at 9:30.

QUINTET SHOWS STYLE DEFEATING LAWRENCE

Dummer Academy defeated Lawrence Academy at South Byfield on the 25th of February by the score of 31 to 21. Hart was the outstanding player for Dummer. Learned was brilliant for the losers. The second period was marked by Dummer's best play, for they scored twelve points in that period to the visitors six. Of that twelve Hart scored eight.

In the first period Dummer did not get on its feet although they held the lead at the end of the quarter. Pillsbury played a very excellent defensive game. During the third period Dummer scored easily, but Lawrence kept right behind at every turn. The last quarter was much the same as the third though Dummer did gain a few points. The game ended 31 to 21 in Dummer's favor. Referee Yeaton called the foul very closely. Two men on each team were forced out of the game on account of four personals. The Dummer sufferers were Pillsbury and Hart. The game was marked for its sportsmanship, the onlookers expressing their appreciation for a neat play by either side. This game marks Dummer's sixth victory.

The summary:

DUMMER	LAWRENCE
Fitzsimmons (Webb) (Bell) (Gove),	
lf.	rb., Barton
Wilson (Fuller), rf.	
lb., Gates (Lewis) (Duran)	
Hart (Bottger), c.	
c., Martin (Worcester) (Richard)	
E. Temple (W. Temple), rf., Torrey	
Pillsbury (Padula), rb.	lf., Learned

Score: Dummer 31, Lawrence 21.
Field goals: Hart 4, Wilson 3, Fitzsimmons 3, Pillsbury; Learned 3, Gates, Torrey. Fouls: Hart 3, Fitzsimmons 3, Padula 3, Wilson; Torrey 6, Gates 2, Lewis Martin 2. Referee: Yeaton.
Time: Four ten-minute periods.

STRAND THEATRE

Tuesday, March 15
Rod LaRocque in
"CRUISE OF THE JASPER B"
4th Episode "On GUARD"
Saturday, March 19
Karl Dane and Sally O'Neil in
"SLIDE, KELLY, SLIDE"

PREMIER THEATRE

Monday, Tuesday, March 14-15
Madge Belamy in
"SUMMER BACHELORS"
"THE GORILLA HUNT"
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NEWBURYPORT WINS FROM DUMMER

On February 19th the basketball team played the first game with Newburyport High School that has been played in fifteen years. The game was played in the Newburyport City Hall, and the partisan spirit on Newburyport's side was marked. The boys not only played the team, but it was necessary to play against a referee who was entirely on Newburyport's side. In spite of these handicaps, the team put over a game fight and nearly tied the home team before the final whistle blew. The boys were not able to play their usual game since the floor was extremely slippery, and in place of the accustomed sideboards, there were nets strung from a wire under the balcony. Newburyport turned out to be too speedy for Dummer, and on the familiar floor was easily in the lead at the end of the first half. Dummer picked up considerably in the last two periods, but was unable to pass the High School hoopsters before the game was over.

Summary:
NEWBURYPORT HIGH DUMMER
Kimball, lg. rf., Wilson (Padula)
Brown (Perry) (Avery), rg.
lf., Fitzsimmons
Fogg, c. c., Hart
Smith (Tufts), lf. rg., Pillsbury
Bottger) (W. Temple)
Ananian (Brown), rf. lg., E. Temple
Score: Newburyport 30, Dummer
22. Goals: Fogg 5, Smith 3, Ananian
1; Fitzsimmons 3, Hart 2, Pillsbury 2,
Wilson 2. Points on fouls: Fogg 5,
Kimball 4, Smith 2, Ananian 1; Hart
2, Fitzsimmons 1, E. Temple 1. Referee:
Sullivan. Scorer: Hamilton. Time:
Page. Time: Four eight-minute periods.

HEARD ABOUT SCHOOL

Calderwood: Ch-ch, boom ch-ch, boom
ch-ch.—
Mr. J.: If marks won't do, demerits will.
Griggs: We didn't have a very hard
practise today, but somehow I'm
kind of tired.
Fyams: Don't let this get around
school, but—
W. Temple:
P. B.: Take paper, please.
Hart: Aw, sir—
Albiani: Hey, I'm not an Eskeemo.
Lane: Ay, there's the rub, Hamlet.
Hill: And Izzy—
Padula: Do you see the sense in that?
McKinney: I must have made a mistake.
E. Cox: But why not?
Budgell: The critics say—

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